

PATENT 81790.0020

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Tomoharu Tanaka

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For: FLASH MEMORY CONTROL

METHOD, FLASH MEMORY

SYSTEM USING THE CONTROL

METHOD AND FLASH

MEMORY DEVICE USING THE

CONTROL METHOD

Art Unit: 2818

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## **AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 18, 2000, which was paper #4 of the present application. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

## IN THE DRAWINGS:

Applicant submits proposed amendments to the drawings, indicated in red on the attached sheets. Should the Examiner approve the proposed changes, applicant will include these changes in replacement formal drawings.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

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